

World War II and welcome the opportunity to acknowledge and thank the members of IBEW Local 601 for their valiant efforts in defending freedom and democracy, and in building a more peaceful world.

To commemorate the noble service and sacrifices of IBEW Local 601 World War II Veterans, I would like to read each of their names into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

IBEW Local 601 World War II Veterans who served in the U.S. Navy:

Andrew Messmer  
Arlo Deremial  
Earl "Pete" Schweighart  
Evan B. Renn  
Fred L. Cline  
Robert F. McNattin  
Glen Wilsky  
Howard McIntosh  
Hugh Bothwell  
Frederick C. Treseler  
Morgan C. Craft  
Richard G. Hensler  
Merle R. "Bud" Mingee  
Robert Carley  
Ralph L. Allison  
Ross Brown  
Cecil E. Reynolds  
Al Schaebe  
Richard McNattin  
Miles P. "Olie" Bland  
Orville L. Bell  
John P. Bothwell  
Lafayette C. Craft  
Russell Reynolds  
IBEW Local 601 World War II Veterans who

served in the U.S. Army:

Brice "Speedy" Hartyman  
Clarence Berger  
Dale Terven  
David R. Goodwin  
Floyd H. Ellis  
George Panbacker  
Robert Faullin  
George Bland  
Howard Barham  
Russell E. Wicks  
Glen "Red" Eastman  
Nyles R. "Shorty" Hardyman  
Wally Lamb  
Harold E. McHenry  
Paul Rubenacker  
IBEW Local 601 World War II Veterans who

served in the U.S. Army Air Force:

E. L. "Al" Ruthstrom  
Lynn Norris  
Donald E. Wonders  
Harold Schweighart  
Wayne Billhmer  
Leo J. Francis  
John J. Minneci  
IBEW Local 601 World War II Veterans who  
served in the U.S. Marines:  
Harold Clements  
Richard Henry Hillier, Jr.

May their noble service and sacrifices be remembered forever. I know the House of Representatives will join me in honoring the Veterans of IBEW Local 601 for their World War II Heritage Day on July 11, 2009.

WILLIAM CHURCHHILL "DOBBER"  
DOYLE

**HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, there is perhaps no greater sacrifice an American can

make than serving their Country during a time of war, and one of my constituents—William Churchill "Dobber" Doyle—has quite a story to tell.

At 90-years-old, Billy—as he is known to many—loves to share his tale with anyone who will listen. Like many from the "Greatest Generation," his time during World War II reads like a Hollywood script, but to the humble man who lived it, the sacrifice was his duty.

Billy was assigned to a supply unit and stationed at Camp Forrest in Tullahoma, Tennessee in December 1941. On December 6, he was told to get ready to be deployed, and he boarded a troop train to the west coast on the eve of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

His first step on foreign soil was on his birthday on November 19, 1942, in North Africa. He would eventually pass through sites like Casablanca and Cairo and make his way to Europe, crossing through Italy, Germany, and France. As Billy told the Knoxville News Sentinel in Knoxville, Tennessee, "Every time the front moved, we had to move."

As part of a supply unit, Billy was one step behind General Patton throughout the war, tasked with keeping him supplied and always at risk of attack. He was part of one of the bloodiest campaigns of the war to establish a beachhead in Italy. 3,000 troops died in the effort, and his 30-member unit lost two in the battle.

Billy demonstrated his true character after breaking his nose in the field. He refused to seek treatment because that would mean having to leave his men.

His favorite moment of the war was when a group of French citizens called him a liberator. He learned of the end of the war in Lyon, France while listening to the radio. As he told the Knoxville News Sentinel, "The town went crazy, especially the girls."

Throughout his life in Tennessee after the war, Billy has selflessly given his time back to the community. He is known as the "Bread Man" around his hometown of Vestal, and donates his time to the Vestal United Methodist Church Food Pantry and Center of Hope Ministry. He is loved and respected by everyone who is fortunate enough to know him.

Madam Speaker, I have known many members of the Doyle family, and they are one of the most respected and prominent families in South Knoxville. I gladly bring this story of William Churchill "Dobber" Doyle to the attention of my Colleagues and other readers of the RECORD, and I hope this tale of the "Greatest Generation" inspires the next.

TRIBUTE TO PRIVATE AMOS  
MCKINNEY

**HON. PARKER GRIFFITH**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Private Amos McKinney. Private McKinney was a Black Soldier who served the United States Army in a White Regiment during the Civil War.

Amos McKinney started his service to our country at Rome, Georgia on December 15, 1863 as an Undercook in Company C of the

1st Alabama Calvary. Enlisting as a cook was the avenue to combat for many African American soldiers during the Civil War, and Private McKinney was no different. During his service, he was shot below the knee and also suffered several wounds to his chest before being mustered out of service on October 20, 1865 in Huntsville, Alabama.

Unfortunately, history has forgotten many Black Soldiers who served the Union White Regiments during the Civil War. Driven by a firm belief in the Union's purpose, Private McKinney and others were willing to work their way up the ranks so they could fight for the cause. Their perseverance and courage should not be lost. In recognition of Private McKinney's service, there will be a dedication ceremony on July 11, 2009 for a memorial established in his honor.

Amos McKinney married Melissa Ann McAfee Pearson after the war, and together they had 9 children. Private McKinney's courage is surely an inspiration to the family he left behind, and his bravery is a testament to the power of an unyielding American spirit and personal resolve.

Madam Speaker, I stand to recognize an American soldier and to extend my gratitude for the service of Private Amos McKinney and those who served beside him. I commend the McKinney family and the historians of my district whose efforts made this recognition possible.

HONORING THE CONGREGATION OF  
NOTRE DAME IN NEW HYDE  
PARK, NEW YORK

**HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of the congregation of Notre Dame in New Hyde Park, New York to commemorate its remarkable contributions to the community. Celebrating its 50th anniversary, the Church of Notre Dame has been an influential and beneficial entity in New Hyde Park and beyond. Through a wide-range of programs, Notre Dame and its congregation have served their community with persistence and openness. For this, the Church and its congregation, both past and present, are deserving of recognition.

The Church of Notre Dame and its affiliated school do much for the community. Over the past half century, thousands of students have acquired the skills and focus to live meaningful and productive lives while attending Notre Dame. These students, drawing on their education at Notre Dame School, often give back to their community as a part of Notre Dame's congregation and beyond. In addition, the Church itself runs many programs that aid the local community. Reaching out to others in New Hyde Park and providing for both its congregation and those in need, the Church has and continues to provide important services and opportunities for the community and has remained a place of both worship and hospitality. Activities such as food drives, educational seminars, and support groups, are just a few examples of programs sponsored by the Church for the benefit of its congregation and community. As Notre Dame celebrates its 50th

anniversary, it is a great time to reflect on all the positive work its congregation has done in New Hyde Park over the past half century and to look towards a future of continued public and spiritual service.

The work of this Church and its congregation is inspiring to us all, and I am immensely grateful to them for all that they have accomplished. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing the gratitude of the U.S. Congress for their extensive contributions to society.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Corps of Engineers (on behalf of the Lower Colorado River Authority)

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Description of Request: I have secured \$700,000 for the Lower Colorado River Basin Study. It is my understanding that the funding will be used towards the completion of the basin wide study in order to identify cost-effective ways to reduce flood damages in the lower Colorado River basin of Texas. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (on behalf of the San Antonio Water System)

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Description of Request: I have secured \$600,000 for the Nueces River and Tributaries Study. It is my understanding that the funding will be used for the continuation of a detailed study of the complex relationships between surface water, groundwater and the varying ecosystems and communities dependent on such water. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (on behalf of the San Antonio River Authority)

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,500,000 for the San Antonio Channel Improvement Project. It is my understanding that

the funding will be used for the Mission Reach project to restore an eight-mile stretch of the San Antonio River south of downtown previously channelized for flood control purposes. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act

Account: Department of Energy—EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Bexar County

Address of Requesting Entity: 100 Dolorosa, San Antonio, TX 78205

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 for the Bexar County Solar Collection Farm and Distribution System. It is my understanding that the funding will be used for the installation of a 200-kilowatt solar photovoltaic system. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE  
GREAT CHARITABLE WORKS OF  
CHARLIE AND SANDY MARKEL  
IN MEMORY OF THEIR SON,  
RYAN

### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the great charitable works of Charlie and Sandy Markel in memory of their son, Ryan. Ryan tragically died during a school swim class on December 19, 2002 at age eleven. This was a heartbreaking loss to his family, friends and community.

Since the death of their young son, the Markel family has been working hard to spread safety awareness, especially in the school setting. They started Ryan's Hope Foundation, which offers low-cost cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillator certification, as well as pool safety. Since the founding of Ryan's Hope Foundation, the Markels and their team of volunteers have trained around four thousand people in CPR and defibrillator skills.

Ryan was deeply loved by his family, friends and his school community. Mourning the loss, many members of the community donated money to the Markels, which they immediately put into the Ryan's Hope Foundation. Along with the money that comes from certification fees, the Markels have put any money that would have gone toward Ryan's allowance, Christmas and birthday presents into the Foundation.

This past June, Ryan would have graduated from Depew High School. To honor Ryan's life, Ryan's Hope Foundation rewarded every college-bound member of the graduating class with the Ryan Markel Scholarship. Two students received a \$500 scholarship and 167 other graduates received a \$100 scholarship. The recipient also received a letter from Charlie, Sandy and their daughter, Amanda wishing the graduates luck and thanking them for being a part of Ryan's life.

Ryan's classmates also took measures to commemorate Ryan at graduation. During the ceremony, one of Ryan's classmates read a

letter about Ryan and called his family on stage. In addition, the graduating seniors created a memorial displayed in the foyer at the graduation ceremony, which included Ryan's photograph, a graduation cap and a poem. An entire page of the yearbook was dedicated to Ryan and his classmates included a tribute to Ryan in their class DVD. Finally, his classmates bought the rights to name a star in his honor.

It is my honor to commemorate the life of Ryan Markel and the charitable efforts of his family. On behalf of the Western New York community, I thank the Markels for their extraordinary efforts to increase safety awareness in the memory of their son.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Madam Speaker, I submit the following information.

Requesting Member: Representative MARIO DIAZ-BALART (FL-25)

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Agricultural Research Service

Name of Requesting Entity: University of Florida/IFAS

Address of Requesting Entity: 700 Experiment Station Rd, Lake Alfred, FL, 33850

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,300,000 for the Citrus Canker and Greening Research. This funding will be used for Continuation of vital citrus Canker, citrus Greening/Huanglongbing (HLB) and Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) research to improve technologies for treatment and detection, methods of movement and containment, and means to control and eliminate these devastating citrus diseases and disease vector. Currently, citrus Canker disease, the spread of the ACP and citrus Greening/HLB are the two most serious diseases and vector facing the U.S. citrus industry. Both diseases and the vector have been declared endemic in the state of Florida and pose serious threats to California, Texas and to the viability of the U.S. citrus industry. Research supported through federal funding in addition to state and grower funds is critical to ensuring that the citrus industry remains a viable part of America's economy. In Florida alone, commercial citrus is a \$9 billion dollar a year industry that supports almost 90,000 jobs. California and Texas combined have over a \$3.2 billion economic impact with over 26,000 jobs in their respective states. Due to the severity of just these two diseases and vector, the importance of continuing critical research unabated is crucial. Canker is caused by a bacterium that creates lesions on the leaves, stems, and fruit of citrus trees, including oranges and grapefruit. While not harmful to humans, Canker significantly affects the health of trees, causing leaves and fruit to drop prematurely. Wind and rain serve as the vector of Canker. Citrus greening/HLB is a bacterial disease which is spread by the Asian citrus psyllid. Although it presents no threat to humans or animals, trees diagnosed with citrus greening/HLB have greatly reduced production and often die within a few years. Recently, research for these diseases and vector